





## LETTER FROM ROCKLAND

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ROCKLAND, June 13, 1879.

The Republicans of this city held their caucus on Thursday evening of last week, and a full delegation of Hersey men was chosen, though quite a number of them were firm supporters of Perham, and would have voted for him at the Republican caucus last year. What new names have chosen to join the undile tribe? It is said that some have chosen to follow their calling since last year, and have engaged in the apothecary business, and occasionally dispense a little of the "ardent" to favorite customers, trietricly for medicinal and mechanical purposes. And as it is understood that Hersey is more in love with such a traffic than Perham, it may account for certain men falling from grace in the Good Templar lodge. Nathan, who has been on the shelf during the Chamberlain administration, was present, and was one of the chief fugitives in getting up a Hersey delegation. As usual, he made a speech, and a Boston delegation was named, and the Boston delegation was named. As there is very little original in Nathan, he finds it very convenient to steal his thunder from that sheet. The Perham folks here made no show at the caucus, it being understood about the streets that Hersey would be largely in the ascendency if a stand upright was had; so they either kept away or fell in with the Hersey men; and that company by actual count, was just twenty-three men and two boys. On the whole, it was rather a slim affair. Much time was consumed in sticks whittled while waiting for Spear to come, and in conversation with a list of delegates, which, when reported, was unanimously accepted and the caucus adjourned.

The dry weather, of which I complained last week, has passed away, and been succeeded by

work of continuous rain, which has cleared the air of dust, and restored our streets to their wonted appearance, that of mud from two to four inches deep.

Business still continues dull here, though all the lime kilns are on fire, and those engaged in the manufacture of lime seem to be pursuing the business as industriously as if the article was bringing a much larger price. The only place in our city where business is lively, is in our Police Court, it being engaged most of the time in the enforcement of the prohibitory liquor law, and in disposing of persons committed for drunkenness. Though "barrel" is openly sold here, yet persons who are inclined "to taste the barrel" find enough to send them reeling in the hands of the Marshal to the jail, and on the following morning are required to pay for a five spot, or pay a visit to the jail in your city.

Many of our citizens are availing themselves of this quiet season to fix up, and improve their dwellings, gardens, trees, fences &c., which have in many instances been sadly neglected. On Middle Street, there is a decided improvement being made, among which are the dwellings of the Messrs. Simonton, Capt. Albert Ames, Hon. L. K. Kimball,

and others. The fine residence belonging to the estate of the late Alfred Kimball, situated on the corner of Main and Middle streets, has recently been sold to Hezekiah Wright Esq., of the firm of Cobb, Wright & Norton, of this city, for the sum of six thousand six hundred dollars.

The prospect of a railroad, to connect us with the outer world, is not so encouraging as it is in your city, and I believe that it is not expected to have the road built any farther than Damariscotta this fall. Some considerable dissatisfaction is felt

among our citizens, that no effort has been made by the directors on this end of the route, to have the work of construction done here instead of at Bath, and that no more effort has been made to complete the road to this place this fall. Whether there is any ground for complaint, I am unable to say. Hon. N. A. Farwell, who has been one of the directors has recently resigned, and G. W. Kimball Jr., Esq. of this city, has been chosen in his stead. Mr. Kimball is a young, thrifty man, and a hard worker.

— **GENERALITIES.**

The midshipman standing first on the roll of honorees at the Naval Academy, is George L. Dyer, of Maine.

Anna Dickinson says she is not a mathmater, but she declines to be "regarded as a plaything that smells sweet like a flower, or sounds sweetly like a flute." Anna cannot properly be likened to a flute.

In 1861 the Republicans carried New York State 100,000 majority. Now the Democrats have the State by nearly the same majority. It shows how things are working.

A Virginia negro cocked a gun and blew down the muzzle to see if it was loaded. He didn't state his conclusion, but the bystanders who saw his head fly off, think it was.

The Portland Express knows a printer who drinks fifteen or twenty glasses of liquor beer of an after-

A Wisconsin boy tried to ride on a barn roller a few days ago, but instead the roller rode on him. He was so spread out that they had to bury him in a sugar plow.

John P. Hale late minister to Spain, has got home.

A party of Michigan sports went fishing in a swampy lake, and caught a live boy baby, which had evidently been left there to die, unless he was playing Moses in the bulrushes.

The Edmund-son, Tripoli, while attempting to

One of the negro cadets at West Point has been rejected for physical defects, and the other for defective education.

The Democrats of West Virginia have nominated John L. Jacobs, of Hampshire county, for Governor.

A new topographical map of Portland, just com-

A Western paper declares that "what got a hawker in trouble and there was 'helping a grocer's boy to break the seventh commandment.'"  
A little girl wanted to say she had a fan, but had forgotten the name, so she described it as a "thing to brush the warm off you with."

A party of prominent citizens of Lewistown and Auburn made a railroad and carriage excursion to the upper Kennebec last week.

The young black gentleman who is the most recent addition to our corps of embryo warriors at West Point will, it is understood, on the first vacancy, be promoted to the post of color-sergeant.

World.

A Pittsburg painter, at work on the third story of a building, broke several rounds out of a halberd in his fall, but at length he struck a strong one, which shot him through second-story windows, sprawling on the floor, unhurt.

New York parties have arrived at Winslow for the purpose of working the tin mine recently discovered there.

A report comes from Utah that a subterranean outlet to Salt Lake has been discovered, which makes an immense wharfpool.

The police court of St. Joseph, Mo., has decided it no offence to assault a man for playing "Shoo Fly" on an accordion.

A Connecticut lawyer recently sent the following legal summons to a trespasser—

"Dear Sir.—Mr. ——— claims you have been cutting whoop-pees on his land without leave. You will please settle immediately."

A Delaware farmer curbed the friskiness of his oxen's tails by tying a brick to each. He considered the plan a failure when one of the brutes swung the brick at a maddening fly and brained the farmer's oldest boy.

In Deerfield, N. H., during the absence of their parents, two lads, aged ten and five years, named Peter and Bean, found an old musket, which the eldest discharged, blowing the youngest's head off the neck.

New York undertakers drive a brisk trade in dead bodies with the doctors.







